

BACK TO THE BASICS



Pre Teen Camp

Guidelines

- 1. This is the day the lord has made! Let us rejoice and be glad in it!!
- 2. Know where you are supposed to be, and be there on time.
- 3. Have a positive outlook on life. Smile lots!! Say a kind word to your camp mates and to the staff.
- 4. Food should not be kept in the cabanas. Trust us!!! Ants are a real problem, so if you have snacks with you, please take them to the head shed where they will be marked with your name. You can request them when you want them.
- 5. Drink lots of water this week. We will keep a jug available at all times. Watch that you don't get overheated.
- 6. Make an effort to make new friends this week. Discover at least one new and positive thing about another person each day. Share of yourself with others.
- 7. Do not go out of the immediate camp area alone. Take a buddy with you, and be sure your counselors have given permission and know your destination.
- 8. Our bodies need rest --that's a fact -- so please observe the designated bedtimes. Tired campers are irritable campers! (we are in a public park, and quiet time begins at 10 p.m. your voices really "carry" at night, so be considerate of all our neighbors.)
- 9. Honor your "family group" with your full attention during group sessions. Do not be wandering over to other groups or conversing with their members. You may do your visiting at the lake or when there are total camp activities, but not while you're working with your group.
- 10. Swim time is a group decision. You cannot go to the lake individually. There must always be a counselor with you there and it must be at a time when the life guard is on duty. Always obey the requests of the life guard!!!
- 11. Swim only with the buddy system. We take care of each other here!
- 12. Say a prayer in thanksgiving for these beautiful surroundings, for sunshine, new friends, for families, and for all the blessings god gives us each moment of our lives!!! Also, remember to say a group thanks prior to a meal.
- 13. Help us keep this place beautiful. Do not throw trash on the ground -- ever -- and if you see trash lying around, be a good and caring camper and pick it up and dispose of it, even though you didn't drop it there.
- 14. Pranks are not allowed at any of our chapel camps!!! It's not that we don't want you to have fun, but they usually result in someone getting emotionally or physically but, and we don't need either



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You will be sent home for breaking this rule!!!

- 15. Because it's the rule: cabanas are "off limits" -- repeat: "off limits" -- to those of the opposite sex! To make that perfectly clear: boys stay our of girls cabanas -- girls stay out of boys cabanas!!
- 16. At home you may go around barefooted, but here you will wear shoes outdoors at all times (except at the lake)!! Don't make us remind you all week. The cause for our most frequent medical visits has been injured feet!
- 17. Any medical needs should be addressed to Dr. Sheridan who hangs out at the Main Trailer.
- 18. Clotheslines are here for wet clothes. Please put them there -- and remove them back to your cabana when they are dry, as we frequently have showers and they get wet all over again.
- 19. Keep your cabanas reasonably neat.
- 20. Your counselors and the other staff are here this week to assure that you have a good time. If you need some individual time with one of them, please feel free to ask.

While you are here this week, please look around you and be aware of the good qualities present in your fellow campers and in both the camp and facility staff persons. God has created each individual with an abundance of good qualities, some sometimes hidden from our view, but there nonetheless. Sometimes you may not even realize what those qualities are in yourself, and it takes someone else to point it out to you. Encourage others – tell them that who they are makes a difference to those around them. Let's all celebrate each other here this week and thank god for making us just who we are – unique and beautiful in his sight.